

Press Release

Kaipara District Council seeking Applications for Biodiversity Funds

The Kaipara District Council's Biodiversity Fund for 2012 is now open to receive applications.

The Fund is open to both individuals and communities who have a project that will enhance or protect the environment.

The success of this Fund has meant the Council has allocated \$15,000 for 2012. In the past the Fund has assisted a wide variety of projects ranging from fencing bush blocks and stream banks to pest and weed control.

Over the last few years there have been some excellent projects supported by this Fund that are making a difference for the biodiversity of our district.

Have you got an environmental project you need assistance with? Maybe fencing off that piece of native bush at the back of the property, restoring a wetland area or organising a community planting day to enhance a stream bank or something similar. Now is the time to get going.

For more information, Council has guidelines and application forms available from its offices in Dargaville and Kaiwaka, and on its website www.kaipara.govt.nz. Applications close on Monday **16 March 2012** with decisions being made by Council in April.